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Application No.: 10/090,837)	
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Filed: March 6, 2002)	
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PROCESSING APPARATUS,	:	
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to JP 2000-177196, which is listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and of which a copy, together with its English-language abstract, is enclosed.

This document was cited during prosecution of a Japanese patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the Japanese Office Action, which is dated January 31, 2006, is enclosed.

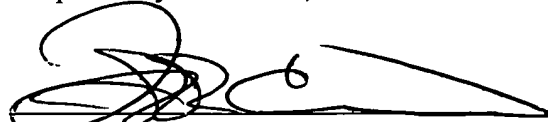
In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that each document in this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS.

In this regard, also cited in the Japanese Office Action were JP 7-276734 and JP 10-309841. These documents are not cited herein, as they were previously cited in an IDS dated October 12, 2005.

The Examiner is urged to study the information cited herein in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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